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## DR. DANIEL BERRY.

Born May 6, 1835. Died November 19, 1915.

Carmi and White County, Illinois, are called upon to mourn one of their most eminent citizens in the death of Dr. Daniel Berry. His death, which was not unexpected, came at 2:30 o'clock Friday morning, November 19, 1915, following a stroke of paralysis which he suffered last April. He was born in Wortley, Yorkshire, England, May 6, 1835, and came to this country with his parents when he was six years old. The family settled in Massachusetts near Danvers. At the early age of ten years he lost his father and mother. Two older sisters strived to keep the family together, but while yet a lad he was thrown upon his own resources in the struggle of life. He earned money with which to go to the schools of Massachusetts and New Hampshire. He came to Illinois in 1856 and taught school in Lawrence, Wabash and White counties. In 1860 he came to Carmi and soon after coming here began the study of medicine in the office of Dr. E. L. Stewart. At the organization of the Eighty-seventh Illinois Volunteers he became assistant surgeon under Doctor Stewart, the surgeon of the regiment, and served during the war, taking part in the siege of Vicksburg and the Red River campaign. He was married December 28, 1862, while his regiment was stationed at Shawneetown, to Miss Mary A. B. Crebs, daughter of Berry and Lucy (Wilson) Crebs. His wife died May 11, 1904. They were the parents of eight children, four of whom survive, one son, Captain Daniel G. Berry, Twenty-fourth United States Infantry, San Francisco, and three daughters, Mrs. Charles B. Bayley, Riverside, California, Mrs. P. B. McCullough, Lawrenceville, Illinois, and Mrs. Claude M. Barnes, Carmi, Illinois.

Dr. Berry was a remarkable man, possessing a brilliant mind and keen intellect, endowed with many gifts and a ver-

satility of talent. While the period he passed in school was short, he supplied its lack by reading and observation. He was able to absorb much from others. He was a close observer and his inquiring mind was never satisfied until he found a solution of the matter in question. He had a wonderful memory which he was constantly strengthening by repeating to others his own observations or the results of his reading. He occupied an unique and enviable position in White County. He became the final authority to whom all came for the solution of any puzzling question. Did anyone find a strange bird, insect, rock or plant, or did anyone want a verse of poetry, or information in history or literature, they came to Doctor Berry for the information. He was regarded as the best informed man in the county.

After the close of the war he attended a course of lectures and graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He practiced his profession for some time in partnership with Doctor Stewart. He was, however, pre-eminently a teacher, and often laughingly remarked that he could impart more to a pupil than he knew himself. He had the faculty of inspiring and awakening the interest of younger men and women in the matters under discussion, creating in them the desire to study and investigate for themselves. All his life he was constantly imparting information, in his conversation, in his contributions to the newspapers and magazines, to the Illinois State Historical Society, and in his addresses and lectures. He was one of the earliest members of the Illinois State Historical Society, and he greatly enjoyed attending the annual meetings. He will be much missed by the officers and members of the Society.

He was a progressive citizen, interested in what ever promoted the welfare of the community. He had frequently served as a member of the school board, and was always ready to respond when asked to address teachers and pupils. He was interested in scientific topics, and kept abreast of the times in all the new discoveries in science.

From our midst has gone a great man of the county, and society is a loser, as it always is, when a type of his strong

manhood is no more. His death is cause for deepest regret, yet it leaves the heritage of a fine memory that may help to fill the void caused by his absence.

Doctor Berry was a man of great personal popularity. He was extremely witty, friendly, positive and forceful. His friends were legion, and found among all circles and classes of society. He was devoted to his family and found his dearest happiness in the home circle. He was a man of great kindness of heart, with liberal judgment of others, a rare good fellowship, with a strong relish for the pure airs of truth and justice, and a deep-seated love for home, friends and country. But the thing that attracted men to him was his kindness of heart and his ready sympathy. As a friend he was singularly and profoundly sympathetic; the triumphs of his friends were his and their griefs, disasters and misfortunes were his own.

His family and kindred will be comforted by the knowledge that he was beloved by everyone who knew him and that all memories of him will be pleasant.

Funeral services were at 2 o'clock, November 21st, at his late residence on Stewart street, Carmi, Illinois, conducted by Rev. David E. Craighead, pastor of the Presbyterian church. There was a large attendance of friends and neighbors, with a few of his Grand Army comrades. There was a profusion of flowers from relatives and friends, including a handsome floral offering from the officers and directors of the White County Fair Association.

Doctor Berry's nephews, Berry S. Crebs, John M. Crebs, Roy E. Pearce, Stewart L. Crebs, Joe F. Williams and Charles P. Berry, acted as pall-bearers.

The burial was in Maple Ridge cemetery.

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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY WHITE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION  
UPON THE DEATH OF DR. DANIEL BERRY.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the White County

Fair Association, the following resolutions were adopted:

*Whereas*, Dr. Daniel Berry, a director of this association died November 19, 1915, aged over four score years,

*Be it resolved*, That while we deeply deplore his death, yet we appreciate the fact that he had been blessed with length of days, that his life had been a useful one, and he held the love and respect of his fellow citizens.

*Resolved*, That we appreciate his long and faithful service with this association, he having shown a great interest in its affairs ever since its organization, and had been connected with it as an officer or director for many years.

*Resolved*, That we appreciate and shall miss his wise counsel in the affairs of the association and his enthusiasm in the improvement of the products of White County, and in the exhibit of the county's products at the county and State fairs.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this association, that a copy be sent to the family of Dr. Berry, and that a copy be published in the newspapers of the county.

By order Board of Directors,

HARRY S. HANNA, *President*.

GEORGE WUEST, *Secretary*.

Attest: